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Dear Examiner Lamberton ,

Attached for filing in 09/770,509 is the following:

1. A Response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 26, 2003.

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Date**REPLY TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the Office Action mailed March 26, 2003, the claims were restricted into thirteen (13) groups. Accordingly, Applicants hereby elect the claims of group I (claims 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 17, 20 and 21 drawn to a method for identifying antimicrobial compounds that bind to or inhibit FtsZ-mt1 (SEQ ID NO:1 polynucleotide/SEQ ID NO:2, encoded protein) without traverse. However, Applicants reserve their right to Petition from the election requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.144.

It is believed that there is no need for an Extension of Time for entry of this paper. However, if it is deemed that any such extension or any other fees are necessary to maintain pendency of this application, then the Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1744 (in the name of Syngenta

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Biotechnology Inc.) for payment of such fees.

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